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RAJYA SABHA

Diesel-run vehicles at IGI airport

*110. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of CIVILAVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether commercial vehicles and passenger buses at Indira Gandhi International Airport still run on diesel violating Supreme Court orders; and

(b) if so, how, the Airports Authority of India (AAI) is still continuing to issues passes of such vehicles flouting Supreme Court orders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVILAVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Detection of cases of tax-evasion by the Income Tax Department

*111. SHRI DARA SINGH:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Income Tax Department has detected thousands of cases of tax-evasion involving crore of rupees through booking of bogus long-term capital gain by large number of persons all over the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof for the last three years still date indicating the amount of tax-evasion, methods adopted by tax-evaders and the year in which maximum cases were reported;

(c) the number of brokers and stock exchanges involved in the scam indicating number of raids conducted by the Department and with what results, name-wise; and

(d) what safeguards Governments are considering to ensure that such scams are not repeated?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Search and survey operations and other enquiries undertaken by the Income Tax Department indicate that a large number of persons have made fictitious claim of long term capital gains on transations in shares.